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THE BARBADOES

C. P. Housum Writes to
His Family.

TELLS OF WAR FEELING

And of the Visit of a Spanish Vessel—

Had Not Heard of Dewey's Vic-
tory—Expects to Reach
New York June 1st.

Interesting letters were received today
by Mrs. George Meyer of this city from
her father, C. P. Housum, who has been
at Bridgetown, Barbadoes, spending the
winter. Mr. Housum expects to return
home soon but on account of the irregular
movements of the steamers he does not
know just when he will be able to come.
Three letters were received this morn-
ing in the same mail. One was dated
April 29 in which Mr. Housum states that
the war is being felt at Barbadoes, as
the price of flour has gone up \$1 a barrel.
There were very few vessels in the har-
bor while usually there are a good many
boats touching at Bridgetown. Mr.
Housum states: "The governor of the
island has issued a neutrality proclama-
tion and no United States nor Spanish
ships can stay in the port more than 24
hours, and supplies can only be procured
in limited quantities. From what I have
seen on my visits to the American consul
office where I go every morning, the
United States has a good representative
here in General McAllister of Delaware.
He will stick up for the rights of the
United States and can't be bluffed. The
passenger boat Meridiana is due to leave
here so that it will arrive in New York
about June 1st. I will probably come
home on that boat or I can come by the
Canadian line and arrive at St. Johns, N.
S., about the 1st of June. The boats of
the Booth line seem to have stopped run-
ning altogether. It is very difficult to
obtain information and cable mes-
sages are not allowed to be sent.


The time of my coming home is uncer-
tain as I am doing very well here and
there is no use taking any chances. We
think here that if the American and
Spanish fleets met and the former are
victorious that the war will be over.
Another letter dated May 4, states that
on Monday May 3, the Spanish battleship,
Alfonso XIII with 570 men on board was
at Bridgetown and that the commander
visited the Spanish consul and then went
north. The Spanish received a tough re-
ception by the other boatmen in the har-
bor as the negroes of the island are all in
favor of the United States. The same
day another Spanish vessel was sighted
and exchanged signals with the Alfonso
XIII. Mr. Housum says that it would
be impossible for the vessels to get much
supplies or coal from Barbadoes, as there
is not much on the island. The prices
of provisions have increased 25 per cent.
When the Spanish warship visited
Bridgetown the American consul at-
tempted to send a code message to Wash-
ington but the governor of the island
would not permit it and put a censor in
the telegraph office.

A letter written on May 5 refers to the
visit of a boat which was loaded with
cargos of sugar. Mr. Housum states that
he could have returned home on it but
that he thought he would wait for the ar-
rival of the Pretoria and hear further
news. A foot note dated May 6 tells of
war news having been received, the extra
publication of the newspapers and the ex-
citement of the people, and the fact that
the weather is growing warmer.

Mr. Housum is expected to leave on the
Pretoria or the Meridiana, most likely
the latter, and in that event he would
arrive in New York about June 1. From
Mr. Housum's letters it is quite evident
that the people at Barbadoes have not
heard of Dewey's victory at the time the
letters were written. He says that the
news received there is very unsatisfactory.
Mr. Housum's family in this city had not
until today received any of his letters
since April 19, and they were greatly re-
lieved to know that the war had so far
not interfered with him in any way.

Excursion to Champaign.
The Illinois Central road on account of
the inter-scholastic contest at Champaign
will offer a rate of one fare for this round
trip from May 17 to 30 inclusive, tickets
good returning until May 28.—14-9t

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TWENTY-SIXTH YEAR.

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1898.

NUMBER FORTY-TWO.

NO NAVAL BATTLE

War News Scarce, But Evi-
dently Action is Soon
To Come.

SPANISH FLEET STILL OUT OF SIGHT

Preparations for Early Invasion of
Cuba==Charleston Slightly Crip-
pled==Guards at the Front at
Chickamauga Park.

CHARLESTON HAD TO COME BACK.

San Francisco, May 19.--Owing to a trivial acci-
dent to the condensers the Charleston put back to
Mar Island today for repairs. She will not get to
sea for two days.

NO NAVAL BATTLE YET.

Washington, May 19.--Secretary Long said this
afternoon that he had received no advices as to the
whereabouts of the Spanish fleet. No indications of
a battle imminent.

THE ATTACK ON CUBA.

Madrid, May 19.--A Havana despatch says that
Santiago de Cuba has been bombarded but "no great
damage done."

ANOTHER OF BLANCO'S LIES.

Madrid, May 19.--A despatch from Havana says
the German warship Geier has arrived there. The
despatch adds: "She did not salute the American
squadron, either with her guns or flag, but paid the
usual salutes to the forts here, and her commander
landed and visited Captain General Blanco, Admiral
Manterola and the president of the colonial govern-
ment. The visit to the commander was lengthy and
was marked by extreme cordiality. The Spanish
authorities returned the visits."

NOT AT SAN JUAN.

St. Thomas, May 19.--The Spanish squadron was
not at San Juan when the steamer Rodriguex left
there Monday noon, and there has been no intimation
received of subsequent arrival.

SPANISH COALING STATION.

London, May 19.--A Montreal despatch says that
a coal depot for the Cadiz squadron has been secured
near the French colony of St. Pierre Miquelon, off the
coast of New Foundland.

MORRO CASTLE LIGHT BURNING.

Key West, May 19.--On Board Associated Press
Despatch Boat, Wanda--Morro light is still burning
at night. Absolute quiet prevails along the Cuban
coast. Rumors of heavy firing off Cardenas Monday
had their origin in target practice of some gunboats
on the hulk of a sunken schooner between Cardenas
and Mantanzas.

VOLUNTEERS MUST WAIT.

The President Will Not Call for
More Soldiers at Present.

WASHINGTON, May 19.--The presi-
dent is being urged to call again for vol-
unteers. Senators and representatives
have advised him to permit at least 75,000
more to enter the service. Governors of
states have written him of the pressure
upon them to accept thousands who want
to enlist. Delegations have come to
Washington to offer whole regiments
which have been raised outside of the
militia, but which cannot get in because
quotas are full. To these urgent tenders
the president has replied that he cannot
take any more volunteers just at present,
but that the government may have need
of more soon. This is the basis for the
reports that a call for 75,000 men is about
to be issued. The fact is, as stated with-
out reservation at the white house, that
no call has been prepared and that none
is in immediate contemplation. Secretary
Alger was seen and told of the rumor.

"I had not heard of it," he said. "We
have got men enough for the present,"
he added. "The trouble is to get them to
work."

DECATUR AT CHICKAMAUGA.

Berte Myrrick is Riding Messenger==
Will Housum Hospital Steward.

CHICKAMAUGA, May 19.--The
Fifth Regiment has been honored by the
choice of Captain W. Lee Capps of Spring-
field as quartermaster of the brigade.
Among the staff appointments were these:
First Lieutenant Butters, Eighth
Infantry, U. S. A., and Second Lieuten-
ant R. J. Burt, Twenty-fifth U. S. A.
Infantry, General Burt's old command,
as aide-de-camp. Lieutenant Burt is a
son of General Burt, Captain H. I. New-
ton, Company I, Third Wisconsin, was
appointed Brigade Provost Marshal.

General Burt has taken hold in vigor-
ous and direct fashion. He has arranged
to get the boys out of bed at 5 a. m.
Mess call will be at 5:30, and squad and
battalion drill before 10 and after 4
guard mount at 6 a. m., and parade at
6:30 p. m. Sleep will be the order after
9:45 p. m.

The proudest man in the whole Fifth
Illinois is Private Berte Myrrick, Com-
pany H, Decatur, who has been appointed
riding messenger by Major General Wil-
son.

The sick list of the Fifth is larger than
over in its history. Three cases of

EARLY INVASION OF CUBA.

News From Tampa Stopped to Keep
Spain in the Dark.

WASHINGTON, May 19.--Official
messengers passing between Washington
and Tampa and Key West show that
preparations for the movement of troops
have almost reached the embarkation
point. The newspaper sources of infor-
mation were shut off at Tampa yesterday
afternoon. The censorship stopped all
special dispatches. This prompted an
impression that the troops had begun to
move. The invasion is at hand. The

loading of the transports is being rushed,
but the best information obtainable here
is that the regulars have not yet gone on
board the transports and may not do so
immediately. It is presumed that the
activity in loading the transports and
other hurried preparations point to a
movement close at hand, and that the
wires are closed to newspaper men in
order that the Spaniards in Cuba may
have no knowledge of the hour of the de-
parture.

Spanish Red Book.

MADRID, May 19.--The red book has
been published containing the diplomatic
documents referring to the events begin-
ning with the arrival of General Wood-
ford, United States minister, and ending
with the rupture of peace.

The Columbia.

NEW YORK, May 19.--The cruiser
Columbia arrived this morning.

Antwerp is the principal market of
Belgium for paints and colors.

THE DEADLY CYCLONE.

Fatalities in Three Sttes Due to
the Storm.

IOWA, ILLINOIS AND WISCONSIN

Feel the Power of the Whirling Demon of Devas-
tation and Destruction--List of the Killed
as Far as Known.

CLINTON, IOWA, May 19.--Last
evening at 4 o'clock a death dealing cy-
clone visited Clinton county, passing be-
tween Clarence and Stanwood. Its path
through Clinton county and the edge of
Jackson county was luckily through the
country, else loss of life would have been
much heavier. The force was terrific.
Trees were torn up or broken off and
carried away, chickens stripped of feath-
ers, and other freaks of the wind were
reported. Buildings of all kinds in the
path of the storm were wiped out. The
storm varied in width from 50 rods to 30
feet.

The dead reported and verified so far
are:
Near Riggs Station--Michael Maloney,
Luke Maloney, Martin Hines, daughter of
Michael Solo.

Near Quigley, Iowa--William O'Mara,
Jr., and child of John Clark.
At a point near Preston, a private tele-
gram states, Charles Fory, wife and three
children were all killed.

IN ILLINOIS AND IOWA.
Reports of death and damage continue
to come in. Below is the list of dead:

Byron, Ill.--Reese, Richard.
Stillman Valley, Ill.--Nelson, Michael;
Nelson, Mrs. Michael; Nelson, two chil-
dren.

Adeline, Ill.--Unknown, two.
Paw Paw, Ill.--Chichester, Mrs. Frank.
Hudson, Iowa--Floy, Charles; Floy,
Mrs. Charles; Floy, three children.

Delmar, Iowa--Allison, Ole; Lovenson,
Soren; Hynes, Michael.
Brown, Iowa--Maloney, James; Ma-
loney, Maggie.

Preston, Iowa--Bush, Charles, and
family; Rugg, entire family.
Charlotte, Iowa--Hines, Michael.
Quigley, Iowa--O'Mara, Michael.
Oasco, Wis.--Clementson, two children
of Alexander.

News From Rockford.
ROCKFORD, ILL., May 19.--A terri-
ble storm swept over this section last even-
ing, the worst in many years. Many
buildings destroyed and deaths reported,
mostly in the farming districts. The
storm was severe at Amboy, Oregon, Paw
Paw and Belvidere.

The storm was severe in Wisconsin,
Kansas and in Nebraska. There was a
water spout in Oklahoma.

Latest News.
ROCKFORD, May 19.--Eleven are
known to be dead and 40 badly injured
as the result of the tornado which swept
over Ogle county last evening. The
storm came from the southwest three to
four hundred feet wide. It leveled every-
thing in its path, demolishing hundreds
of farm houses, barns and killing much
live stock. The storm was the severest at
Stillman Valley, where it wrecked 15
buildings, two churches and the depot.
Great damage was also done at Adeline.

Telegraph and telephone wires are badly
affected. The dead and injured as far
as reported from this section follows:
Mike Nelson, Stillman Valley, instantly
killed; Mrs. M. Nelson received injuries.
Others dead: Julia Johnson, daughter
of Mrs. Nelson; six months old son of
Nelson; William Ross, Marion township;
Thomas Mullen, Adeline; three children
of John Mullen, Foreston; Schanler, Ade-
line; Mrs. Frank Chichester, Paw
Paw.

Seriously injured at Stillman Valley:
Two year old daughter of M. Nelson;
Mrs. M. J. Bly and baby; Mrs. Zink's
young son; Peter Holquist; E. Fisher;
Mr. John Forrester. Family of Everett
L. Ludwig at Foreston are all injured;
also Eli Timmers, a farm hand. Many
others whose names are not learned were
more or less injured.

Near Marshfield.
MARSHFIELD, WIS., May 19.--A
severe tornado passed through Clark,
Marathon and Langlade counties, Wis-
consin, leveling buildings, uprooting trees,
and doing much damage.

Flags at Half Staff.
CHICAGO, May 19.--The multitude of
flags waving over the buildings at the
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Extended on the Death of Hon. W.
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THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1898.



Misrule in the Philippines.

Chicago Record: The rebellion in the Philippines which broke out in July, 1896, was caused by the incapacity of the Spanish rulers from the governor general down to the lowest scale. For generations the people of the archipelago had borne submissively the oppression of their foreign overlords.

Consideration of the causes that led up to this revolt reveals many serious questions with which the United States must deal in governing the islands. Taxation has been carried to a point of starvation for the natives. Every man and woman, irrespective of condition, is annually taxed 10 pesos, which sum is equal to about \$2. If an individual has employment he is subject to a further tax of \$5 pesos, and a license is exacted from every person who trades in any manner of merchandise, even if his whole business does not exceed the sale of a few betel nuts, a basket of mangoes or a bunch of bananas. The native land owners are impoverished by the taxes, and share none of the profit of the half breed Chinese traders, who buy the crops of rice and sugarcane standing in the fields and sell them in turn to the rich exporting houses at Manila.

No one escapes the tax collector, for the energy of the governor general is persistently stimulated by the fact that he receives a proportion of all the taxes collected. Added to these abuses is the exasperation of a notoriously corrupt and despotic clergy, grown enormously rich through the favor of the authorities, to whom it pays no tax on its immense farms. Within comparatively recent years the introduction of masonic lodges into the archipelago has given the natives a means of secret meeting for airing their grievances without fear of betrayal. These institutions have grown greatly in number and in members. In Cavite, the principal seat of the rebellion, there are said to be 30 lodges, 10 to 20 in Pangasinana, Laguna and Bulacan, and at least one in each of the other provinces. Hatred of the clergy was increased by relentless effort to suppress, even to exterminate, these orders. The members were imprisoned, deported or executed, but even the cruelty of General Blanco, then governor of the Philippines, did not meet the demands of the Spaniards, and he was recalled. Under peremptory order of the Spanish government 400 Freemasons were summarily tried and deported to the penal colonies of the Caroline and Mariana islands; Rizal, now venerated as a martyr to the native cause, was treacherously killed and in desperation the people were driven to the protection of open rebellion.

It has long been a notorious fact in Spain that generals disaffected by obnoxious politics are sent to make or remake their fortunes in the colonies, and returning with riches out of all proportion to the emoluments of their offices, no one is indiscreet enough to question the source of their riches. All minor places in the colonial government are filled by favorites of the ministers, and no native is ever allowed to share in the feast of this official corruption. Every change in ministry is looked upon in the Philippines, therefore, as the hatching of a brood of birds of prey who must fatten on the oppression of the people.

Belief, these are the grievances the people of the Philippines sought to avenge, when they were driven to open rebellion by cruel persecution. They suggest grave questions the United States must consider in the government of the islands, with their mixture of different nationalities and hostile factions.

The Russian government is rapidly improving and strengthening its recent acquisitions from China in the Liao Tung peninsula. The exactly imitations of the area, 300 square miles, have been defined by proclamation. All the harbors on the west side of the peninsula are included in this area. Port Arthur has become a purely military position with a garrison of 8000 men, which is to be raised to 15000 reinforcements from Odessa. The area is guarded by batteries of machine guns and gunships.

patrol the harbor at night. The whole military force of Russia in the peninsula is to be brought up to 20,000 men and these will be supported by 50,000 more along the line of the railroad through Manchuria and by the reserve army of eastern Siberia. Powerful fortifications have already been constructed at Tientsin and plans have been made for the construction of a great dock, it being the intention of Russia to make this port both a naval base and military station. It is evident from the extent of its preparations that Russia has gone to China to stay and that when the Transiberian road is completed it will dominate that section of the Orient unless Great Britain and Germany shall interfere.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

New Books Ready for Distribution on Friday, May 20th.

REFERENCE.

Prentice—References to books in the Cleveland Library, for aid of third grade teachers.

LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC.

AuFait—Special Observances.
Bailey—Garden Making.
Bates—Talks on the Study of Literature.
Bird—Korea and Her Neighbors.
Bliss—Concise History of Missions.
Bodley—France, 2v.
Bramble—A. B. C. of Mining.
Brown—What Is Worth While?
Brown—Partisan Politics, the Evil and the Remedy.
Campbell—Household Economics.
Carman—Ballads of Lost Haven.
Cinghorn—College Training for Women.
Clarke—Cid Campeador.
Curtis—Ars Recte Vivendi.
Dole—Coming People.
Dole—Joseph Jefferson at Home.
Drake—Border Wars of New England.
Elliot—American Contribution to Civilization.
Fisher—Group of French Critics.
Harris—Psychologic Foundations of Education.
Higginson—Cheerful Yesterdays.
Hugo—Letters, 3 v.
Jenkins—Manual of Photogravure.
Lilliohalani—Hawaii's Story.
Mathews—Familiar Features of the Roadside.
Moberly—Early Tudors.
Palmer—Selfcultivation of English.
Phillips—Reminiscences of William W. Story.
Riley—Ruhaiyat of Doc. Sifers.
Romance—Animal Intelligence.
Sergeant—The Franks.
Stedman—Poems.
Stevenson—Deepwater Voyage.
Sully—Studies of Childhood.

FICTION.

Converse—Diana Victorix.
Daudet—Numa Roumestan.
Farrar—Allegories.
Flandrau—Harvard Episodes.
Fuller—From the Other Side.
Gray—Ridstone Pippins.
Green—Lost Man's Lane.
Harris—Tales of the Home Folks in Peace and War.
Harte—Tales of Trail and Town.
Huntington—His First Charge.
Jokai—Lion of Janina.
Le Queux—Eye of Fate.
Locke—Derelicts.
Pool—Red bridge Neighborhood.
Prince—At the Sign of the Silver Crescent.
Richards—Rovin the Bean.
Rodney—In Buff and Blue.
Seawell—Book of the Lion.
Smith—Calish West.
Tourgee—Man Who Outlived Himself.
Weyman—For the Cause.
Wiggin—Penelope's Progress.
Zola—Lourdes, 3 v.
Zola—Paris, 3 v.
Zola—Rome, 3 v.

JUVENILE.

Brooks—True Story of the Abraham Lincoln.
Brooks—True Story of Christopher Columbus.
Brooks—True Story of George Washington.
Brooks—True Story of the United States.
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The Fraternal Army of America will meet at the office of Attorney Drew this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Fifteen new members will be initiated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce A. H. Hill, of Miami township, as a candidate for sheriff, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES M. DODD as a candidate for County Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

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On Sunday, May 23, 1898, the I. D. & W. Ry. will run a special fast excursion train to Indianapolis and return. Fare \$1 for the round trip. Special train will leave Decatur at 6:30 a. m., arriving at Indianapolis at 11:30 a. m. Returning special train will leave Indianapolis at 6:30 p. m. Tickets good only on special train.

Regular meeting tonight of Conner de Leon Lodge, No. 17, Knights of Pythias. Work in the third rank.

M. L. Yocum, Cameron, Pa., says: "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying most all kinds of pile remedies, but without success. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve was recommended to me. I used one box. It has effected a permanent cure." As a permanent cure for piles DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve has no equal. If W. Bell.

Thousands of sufferers from gripple have been restored to health by One Minute Cough Cure. It quickly cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia, gripple, asthma, and all throat and lung diseases. H. W. Bell.

The mining laws of the republic of Mexico insure the prospector full protection and enjoyment of anything valuable he may find.

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During 1897 8928 head of live stock in Switzerland were affected with foot and mouth disease; of this number 1414 were killed.



The healthy man is pretty sure to be a favorite with the ladies. The sick man isn't. His complexion is sallow, his eyes are dull, his skin is blotched or pimply, his breath is unpleasant and he is mentally and physically sluggish. These conditions are due to disorders of the digestion or torpidity of the liver. These cause impurity of the blood, and one cannot continually pump impure blood into every organ of the body without making those organs sick. Pump impure blood into the brain and there is soon a sick brain. It will show in headaches, dizziness, drowsiness, dull eyes, frightful dreams and loss of sleep. Pump bad blood into the lungs and the result is consumption, bronchitis, asthma, weak lungs, spitting of blood or throat or nasal troubles. Feed the nerves and brain cells upon the poisons of an impure blood and the consequence is nervous exhaustion and nervous prostration. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures these diseases and cures the conditions that cause them. It restores the appetite, makes digestion and assimilation perfect, the liver active, the blood pure and the nerves steady. It is the great blood-maker and flesh-builder. It cures 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption. It is the best remedy for blood and skin diseases. Druggists sell it.

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100 26-inch English Serge Umbrellas, steel rods, natural fir twist handles, 48c each.
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A Big Bargain.

50 Fancy Parasols, fine silk, trimmed with chiffon ruffles, solid black, cream and combinations—a \$5.00 parasol for \$2.50.
Children's Fancy Parasols, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c each.

Ladies' Vests.

Cases of Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Cotton Vests at 5c, 8c, 10c, 12½c, 15c and 25c each.
SPECIAL—One case of Pure Silk, Swiss Ribbed Vests, silk taped sleeves and neck, all colors and sizes, at 50c each.

Gloves.

Ladies' Kid Gauntlets—English red and tan, 50c a pair.
Ladies' Fine Lisle Thread Gauntlets, kid faced, \$1.00 pair.
Ladies' Fine Kid Gloves, 2-clasp, embroidered back, all colors, \$1.00 pair.
Ladies' Heavy Taffeta Silk Gloves at 25c a pair.
Ladies' 4-Button Heavy Lisle Gloves, black and white embroidered backs, 35c pair.
Kaysers' Patent Finger Tipped Silk Gloves, black, white and lemon, for street wear, three qualities, 50c, 75c and \$1.00 pair.
Two-Clasp Arabian Suede Kid Gloves, white with stitched backs, 75c pair.

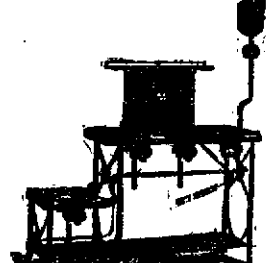
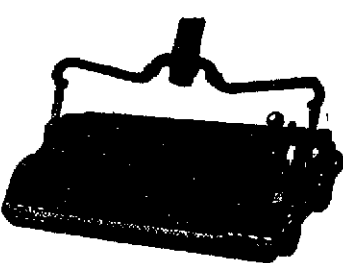
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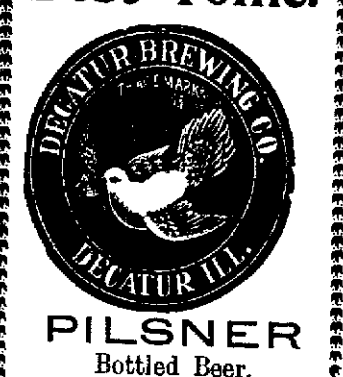
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UNION INGRAIN.....20c	SAUCE DISHES.....10c	There will be a Special Sale	White Blanks, per roll.....3c
ALL WOVEN INGRAIN.....35c	CREAM FITCHER.....10c	this week of Fine Furniture,	Glassware.....5c
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Northwest Cor. Lincoln Square.

COOPER & PRIDDY,

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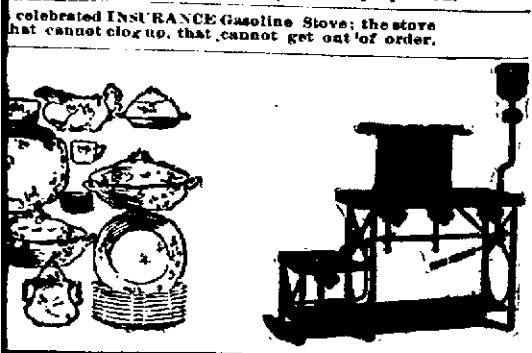
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Represent Clothing made with care and thought, to give the wearer
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Step in at the C. B. Prescott music
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of opera house.—18-4tf

The Latest in Spring Suitsings—T. F. Muleady. apr5-40w

Patriotic Program.

The Intermediate C. E. society of the
First Baptist church will give a patriotic
social at the church at 7:45 o'clock this
evening. The program follows:

Song—By Society.
Prayer—Pastor.
Piano Solo—Miss A. Wood.
Oration—Lula Corley.
Vocal Solo—Edna Slifer.
Patriotic Address—Pastor.
Violin Solo—Ed Keller.
Oration—W. B. Conghlin.
Vocal Solo—Amy Hovey.
Recitation—George Owens.
Song—"America"—Society.

Deafness Cannot be Cured
by local applications, as they cannot
reach the diseased portion of the ear.
There is only one way to cure deafness,
and that is by constitutional remedies.
Deafness is caused by an inflamed con-
dition of the mucous lining of the Eus-
tachian Tube. When this tube gets in-
flamed you have a rumbling sound or
imperfect hearing, and when it is en-
tirely closed deafness is the result, and
unless the inflammation can be taken
out and this tube restored to its normal
condition, hearing will be destroyed for-
ever; nine cases out of ten are caused
by catarrh, which is nothing but an in-
flamed condition of the mucous sur-
faces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars
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arrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's
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Diaz, [the Subject.

Rev. S. H. Bowyer of the First Baptist
church will speak on Sunday evening of
"Diaz, The Cuban Patriot." Rev. Bow-
yer met Mr. Diaz at the convention,
which he recently attended in the south
and heard him speak. He has a high
regard for the Cuban patriot.

A little boy asking for a bottle of "get
up in the morning as fast as you can,"
the druggist recognized a household
name for "DeWitt's Little Early Risers,"
and gave him a bottle of those famous
little pills for constipation, liver and
stomach troubles. H. W. Bell.

Funeral of Mrs. Stookey.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Amanda
Stookey was held this afternoon at 3
o'clock from the North Fork church.
The services were conducted by Rev. A.
M. Dannels and the burial was at the
North Fork cemetery. The funeral was
largely attended.

Unfortunate People

are they who while suffering from Kid-
ney Diseases are prejudiced against all
advised remedies. They should know
that Foley's Kidney Cure is not a
quick remedy, but an honest, guaran-
teed medicine for Kidney and Bladder
troubles. E. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W.
H. Hubbard.

So far there has been but one wheelman
to enter the Decoration Day road race.
The rains have kept the roads in such
bad condition that it has been impossible
for the wheelmen to do much training
and consequently they are a little back-
ward about entering.

Don't let the little ones suffer from
eczema or other torturing skin disease.
no need of it. Doan's Ointment cures.
Can't harm the most delicate skin. At
any drug store, 50 cents.

In 80 years Germany, from being little
more than self sustaining, has become the
largest sugar exporting country.
Over 180,000 pounds of ivory were re-
ported of at auction sale in Antwerp re-
cently.

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alleviates its
pain, and if
taken in
time
Removes
THE
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THAT
CAUSE IT.

LEE MAINE'S
LETTER.

All the Way From Chick-
amauga, 800 Miles.

CO. H. AS SEEN IN CAMP.

On the Ground Where Gen. Thomas
Made His Last Stand—
Boys All Well and
Feeling Good.

In Camp at Chickamauga Park. May
17.—11:20 a. m.—The battle ground
of Chickamauga makes an ideal camping
place. Company H came in on a late
train last night. They arrived in Chat-
tanoga at 8 o'clock on the morning of
the 16th, but were kept all day
in the yards of a wretched little
railroad which had only a switch
or two. From the last railroad station
there was a march of about two miles.
Then the tiny "pup" tents were put up
and the men rolled up in blankets on the
ground and slept the sleep of the tired.
Frank Boone was taken sick on the train.
His condition at Chattanooga was serious
but after being removed to St. Vincent's
hospital in the city, he rapidly became
better and will doubtless be in camp be-
fore many days. There were snake
stories in camp last night. The natives
tell of copper heads but none have been
seen as yet.

Company H is camped in a grove near
where Thomas made his last stand. Some
of the trees are very old and fine but
many are young oaks. A monument to
the 6th regiment of Indiana Infantry
stands between the hospital and head-
quarters tent.

The supposed spy who was caught by
Captain Cassel and got away was after-
wards chased off the baggage car by an
armed guard.

The water at Chickamauga comes from
springs. It is said to be good water, but
it is warm and has to be carried a long
distance. It seems strange to see grass
hoppers jumping in the grass and to hear
the noise of flies and to feel the bite of
mosquitoes. The temperature, at a guess,
is 90 degrees in the shade.

Many men have found bullets. One
found a part of a cannon ball. The
camp risk names of Decatur boys may
interest the folks at home. Reeves
Scruggs is "The Turk," and William
Housman is known as "Doctor." It is
impossible to trace the origin of any of
the names.

Down among the trees men are writing
letters. Hard bread boxes and gun cases
and even cannon carriages are used as
tables. One man is using the pole of his
little tent as a support on which to hang
his razor strap. He is getting ready to
shave. Others are bathing in the creek at
the rear of the camp.

A 3d regiment battalion is drilling in
the field in front. Letters have been for-
warded from Springfield. No one seems
to know definitely whether we are in
Tennessee or Georgia. One man sug-
gests that if home people intend the letter
to arrive at meal time they should address
it "Georgia." If it is to come between
meals to send it to Tennessee.

In a day or so this camp will be exactly
like the one at Springfield. The moun-
tains cannot be seen from Company H's
quarters and except for the heat and a
few mosquitoes it is hard to realize that
home is 800 miles away.

LEE MAINE.

Lost the Contract.

Adams & Co., the firm who received
the contract for building the bridge over
Steven's Creek on the Mt. Pataki road,
have lost the contract. They were to
have filed a bond for about \$5000 by yes-
terday but by some misunderstanding the
bond was not filed and the contract
was consequently forfeited. The town
clerk wrote to the firm telling them that
they must get their bond filed. He re-
ceived a telegram stating that the next
mail would bring a reply, but it came to
late. Bids have again been advertised
for and the letting of the contract will
have to be gone through with again.

SITE IS CHOSEN

For the New Railroad Y. M. C. A.
Building to be Erected Here.
The site for the Y. M. C. A. building
has been chosen. The building will be
erected at the northeast angle of the Wa-

bash and Illinois Central crossing. There
is a large vacant space between the tracks
on the west and the car shops on the east.
It is low ground but it will be filled in
with dirt. The site chosen will be a con-
venient one for the railroad men as it is
near the depot and is about in the center
of the railroad yards. Theodore C. Link,
the railroad architect, is working on the
plans under the direction of E. L. Hamilton,
the railroad secretary of the Y. M. C. A.
The building to be erected will be a
handsome one and will be supplied with
sleeping rooms, amusement rooms,
library, restaurant and everything that
will add to the comfort of the railroad
men and will be strictly for railroad men
only.

THE DEATH RECORD.

MRS. ELIZA FLEENER.

Mrs. Eliza Fleener died of a complica-
tion of diseases on Wednesday, May 18, at
the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hallie
Decourcy, 814 East Bradford street. She
was only ill for a short time. The deceas-
ed was born May 21, 1828, at Lexington,
Ky. When quite young she moved to
Indianapolis and was there married to
John Fleener, who died in 1865. Mrs.
Fleener came to Illinois in 1868 and since
that time she has made her home in De-
catur. She leaves five children: Andrew
Fleener, Mrs. Sadie Gibbs, Miss Marie
Fleener, Miss Clara Fleener and Mrs.
Decourcy. She was a member of the
First Baptist church and the funeral will
be held from that church on Friday after-
noon at 2 o'clock.

Last Meeting.

The Once-A-Week club held the last
meeting of the year at the home of Miss
Charlotte Hawes on North Edward street
last evening. The members of the club
felt much benefited by the work accom-
plished this winter and will take up the
work next fall on lines similar to those
studied this year. The club began with
the life and works of Bach and have
studied the life and work of ancient and
modern composers. At each meeting
papers were read and the study of the
works of the composer illustrated by
passages from his work.

The lesson for last evening was on
Scharwenka and Paderewski with Miss
Marie Williams as leader. Miss Nellie
Nichols and Miss Charlotte Hawes gave
selections from the works of these com-
posers and a paper on Scharwenka was
read by Miss Gertrude Chamberlain.

Mrs. Crosby To-Night.

Mrs. Ellen F. Crosby of Chicago will
lecture on Wagner at the Woman's club
tonight at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Crosby has
just returned from giving a series of lec-
tures at Rochester, N. Y., and the Roch-
ester Herald speaks in terms of highest
praise of her work. The Herald says:
"Not to have heard Mrs. Crosby on Wagn-
er is to have missed a golden opportu-
nity of getting closer to the heart and soul
of the works of a great master whom too
many mistakenly consider inscrutable
except to the initiated or those who expect
to follow him."

The members of the club will be admit-
ted to Mrs. Crosby's lecture on the pres-
entation of their membership cards. To
all others the admission will be 50 cents.

Christian Endeavor Reception.

The members of the Christian Endeavor
society of the Cumberland Presbyterian
church will give a reception to the Chris-
tian Endeavor societies of the city at the
lecture room of their church, corner of
West Eldorado and Monroe streets, on
Friday evening. The program will be
given as follows:

Music—High School Girls' Quartet
Recitation—Miss Vesta White.
Piano Solo—Miss Marie Powers.
Recitation—Miss Bernice Trainer.
Violin Solo—Loran Campbell.
Violin Solo—Miss Mary Clark.
Music—High School Girls' Quartet.

To Complete Arrangements.

The general committee appointed from
the Modern Woodman and Boys' Neigh-
bors lodge to make arrangements for the
program for the Memorial Day exercises
will hold a meeting at the office of O.
W. Smith this evening to complete the
arrangements and appoint the subcom-
mittees. O. W. Smith is chairman of the
general committee.

Funeral of J. F. Delbridge.

The funeral of the late J. F. Delbridge
was held at 9 o'clock Wednesday after-
noon from the German Methodist church
at Boody and was largely attended. The
burial was at Salem cemetery, the pall-
bearers being Fred Bailey, John Pistorius,
George Eckhardt, Emil Kalanbaugh,
Christian Schwab and W. H. Weatherford.

Sold His Wheat.

Richard Kirby, a farmer living four
miles east of Oreams, several days ago
sold 600 bushels of wheat in Chicago.
He received \$1.48 per bushel for his grain,
probably the best price received for wheat
by any farmer in this vicinity for a long
time.

Married.

By Justice Shorb at his office May 18,
Al. P. Risley of Decatur, and Miss Ella
Dorsey of Mansfield. The couple will
reside on a farm south of the city.

Takes the burn out; heals the wound;
cures the pain. Dr. Thomas' Electric
Oil, the household remedy. Sold by all
druggists.

Decatur friends of Mrs. John A. Barice
have received word that she has arrived
safely at Cologne, where her husband is
stationed as United States consul.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Corne-
lius Morris at Their Old Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Morris of 538
East William street, yesterday celebrated
their golden wedding at their old home
place, five miles southwest of the city.
There were a large number of guests
present who enjoyed an excellent annu-
versary dinner and passed a pleasant day.
The seven children of the couple presented
them with a gift of \$30 in gold.

Cornelius Morris and Miss Margaret
E. Cox were married 50 years ago by
Squire B. R. Austin. Mr. Morris was
then a stalwart youth of 23 years and his
bride, the belle of the neighborhood, was
16. Only six who witnessed the ceremony
are now living and three of them were
present at the 50th anniversary of the
event and entered into the celebration
with almost as much interest as they did
the first. They were Mrs. Sarah Ward
and Mr. and Mrs. George M. Cox. The
other three witnesses living are Mrs.
Sarah Ann King, Mrs. Zonith McDaniel
and Jerome Cox. All six are residents
of Macon county.

Cornelius Morris was born in Pickaway
county, near Circleville, Ohio, and came
to Decatur in December, 1838.

Miss Margaret E. Cox was born in
Macon county, near the place where she
and her husband first went to house-
keeping. Mr. Morris' father was quite
well off and Cornelius was given a few
acres of prairie soil on which to begin
his career of success. Cornelius built a
little cottage of three rooms and it was
in that same home that the 50th wedding
anniversary dinner was served Wednes-
day. But there is another house that
has been added to the improvements of
the place. It is a large brick structure
of nine rooms and the patch of prairie
soil on which they began their married
life has increased to a farm of 800 acres
of as fine land as there is in the county
and the improvements are of the best.
Mr. Morris also owns several properties
in Decatur.

Ten children were born to Mr. and
Mrs. Morris, three of whom are dead.
There are 16 grandchildren. The seven
children present were Mrs. C. W. Frew,
Mrs. S. H. Jameson, Mrs. N. H. Childs,
Mrs. L. P. Light, all of Decatur; and
T. F. Morris, G. W. Morris and E. O.
Morris, all residing on the home farm.
All the grandchildren were present, except
the eldest, C. W. Frew, who but a few
days ago left to join the army and is
now at Chattanooga.

Mr. Morris is now 72 years old, while
his wife is 66. They are still hale and
hearty and do not look as old as they
really are.

HYMENEAL.

Mayor Taylor at the Marriage of
Mr. Daigh and Miss Roberts.

Champaign (Ill.) Gazette, May 18:
Miss Mary Roberts, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Humphrey Roberts, and Mr. Charles
Algermon Daigh of Boston, were married
at the residence of the bride's parents on
West Clark street, yesterday evening.

The ceremony was performed by Dr.
C. N. Wilder, pastor of the First Presby-
terian church, and was witnessed by only
a few friends and the immediate family.
The friends present were Hon. B. Z.
Taylor, mayor of Decatur; Mr. John D.
Neal of Rantoul, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence
D. Walton of Thomasboro, and Mr. and
Mrs. J. B. Walton of this city.

The Roberts home was handsomely
and appropriately bedecked with the
choicest of flowers in honor of the event,
and after the performance of the cere-
mony an elaborate wedding supper was
spread by Mrs. Goodman.

Mr. and Mrs. Daigh left at once for
Philadelphia and from there they will
take a trip through Virginia, going finally
to Boston, where they will make their
home.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Roberts, has lived all her life in
this city, being exceedingly popular
among her many friends, and they regret
to learn that her marriage will take her
away from here to reside.

Mr. Daigh is a consulting engineer of
considerable prominence in his profession.
For the past year or so he has been in the
employ of the city of Decatur as its con-
sulting engineer, and has looked after the
engineering work in connection with the
enlargement of the water works system
in that town. The Decatur newspapers
speak in the highest terms of him.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER

DR.
PRICE'S
CREAM
BAKING
POWDER

Awarded
Highest Honors, World's Fair
Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

CLOSE OF STATE CONVENTION

Christian Sunday School Workers
Terminate a Splendid Meeting.

E. A. GILLILAND CHOSEN PRESIDENT

Other Officers Selected--Eureka the Next Place of
Meeting---Resolutions Adopted---Bible
School Preferred to Sunday School.

The 24th annual state convention of the Illinois Christian Sunday School Association came to a close this afternoon at the Edward street church.

EVENING SESSION.

The convention was opened with song and praise service last evening, after which Rev. J. W. Waggoner of Eureka in an earnest and forcible manner presented the needs of the work in the state and called for pledges from both individuals and schools. His appeal resulted in cash and pledges amounting to \$716. At the close of Rev. Waggoner's talk Messrs. Knox and Meneley of the Meneley Quartet, gave temperance songs, after which O. W. Stewart of Chicago, chairman of the state prohibition committee, spoke of "The Sunday School As a Factor in Christian Citizenship."

THURSDAY MORNING.

The morning session of the last day of the convention was opened by devotional exercises led by H. H. Peters of Rantoul. Knox P. Taylor of Bloomington, state superintendent, then spoke on "Christ the Interpreter of the Bible."

A 9:30 the subject, "The Study of Next Sunday's Lesson" was presented by Miss Lillian Chadeay of this city in an attractive and practical manner. Miss Chadeay uses the kindergarten method arranging the lesson through the use of the black-board and objects familiar to children. By the use of a dish of strawberries, from which the children were permitted to separate the good from the bad, the lesson of the final separation was taught. At the conclusion of the lesson Miss Chadeay permitted the audience to ask questions by which much valuable information was secured.

At 10:15 Miss Anna McKale of Athens spoke on "Service," basing her remarks upon the spirit of service as manifested by the apostle Paul.

The next number on the program was an address by A. A. Wilson of Lexington, who addressed the convention on "Intransigent Power."

BUSINESS--OFFICERS ELECTED.
At 11:15 the convention took up its regular business. The committee on nominations reported as follows:

President--E. A. Gilliland, Clinton.
Vice President--L. E. Newson of Maroa.

Secretary--H. H. Peters, Rantoul.
Members of Board--W. W. Weedon, Taylorville; S. S. Jones, Danville.

Secretary of Normal Course--Miss Anna E. Davidson, Eureka.
J. F. Jones,
S. S. Lappin,
J. G. Waggoner,
Committee.

The enrollment committee reported 107 delegates and 15 visitors. J. T. Stivers, J. W. Kilbourn, Committee.

Press committee reported that the Decatur papers had very kindly published full reports of the proceedings and that some Chicago and St. Louis papers had noticed the proceedings.

RESOLUTIONS.
The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

1. Resolved, That we tender our thanks to Brother Stevenson and the good people of Decatur for their kindly greeting and generous entertainment during this convention.

2. That we thank our press committee

and the daily papers of the city for their service in furnishing such full reports of our sessions.

3. That we commend the course of our board and superintendent and in the line of work and amount done and also the determination to enlarge the work as soon as means are put in their hands by which it may be done.

4. We appreciate the privilege accorded us in listening to the high grade productions presented to this convention.

5. That we commend the use of the term Bible schools instead of Sunday schools as the name of our schools. And that we each and all endeavor to make them in truth and indeed Bible schools.

6. As it has been one of the principles of this restoration to destroy the sect or denominational spirit, be it resolved, that we urge upon our brethren to keep this purpose clearly before the people and that they do not compromise our mission by the use of such language as "other denominations," etc.

7. Resolved, That the work of Eureka college has been of such a nature that we feel our debt to it is incalculable and that we all pledge ourselves to continue our efforts to its support till it shall be put on solid foundation.

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ANOTHER SCARE STORY.
Halifax, N. S., May 19.--A report has just been received from Gettson's Cove on the western shore of this Province that nine warships were sighted off Indian Island near Cape La Vave this morning, heading southerly.

DEATH AT
SULLIVAN.Witt Morrill Instantly
Killed by Lightning.

SULLIVAN, ILL., May 19.--Witt Morrill, single man, son of a widow, was killed by lightning during the storm today, at the edge of the city. He was seated in a wagon driving a team.

ENGLAND'S
TRIBUTE.

LONDON, May 19.--The house of commons was crowded when the speaker called it to order. A. J. Balfour, the government leader, stated that it would be only a fitting honor for the body to adjourn out of respect to the great man whose long and splendid career had just closed. He said he would tomorrow present an address to the queen asking her to grant a public funeral if not inconsistent with Gladstone's expressed desire or those of his family, and also asking that a public monument to him be erected at Westminster.

At Washington.
WASHINGTON, May 19.--The death of Gladstone was the theme of the chaplain's invocation at the opening of the senate. The consideration of the war revenue measure was resumed.

Exchange of Prisoners.
WASHINGTON, May 19.--The state department has received a cable from Alexander Golan, British consul general at Havana, saying that arrangements have been completed for the exchange of Colonel Cortijo and Surgeon Julian, now prisoners of war at Fort McPherson, Ga., for the newspaper man Thrall and Jones, now in Morocco Castle. He added that as soon as the vessel bringing the Spaniards is sighted, a Spanish steamer with Thrall and Jones will be sent out and the exchange effected. Secretary Alger at once gave the necessary instructions looking to the exchange.

Odd Fellows, Attention!
The Peoria, Decatur and Evansville railway will make an excursion rate of \$1 from Decatur to Mattoon and return. Tickets will be good going on train No. 1, May the 25th, returning on special train from Mattoon at 7:30 p. m. The celebration will be one of the greatest spectacles in Odd Fellowship in the state of Illinois. A grand parade, participated in by representatives of every lodge in central Illinois, will start promptly at 1:30 p. m. All the grand officers will be present and a splendid program has been arranged for and after the ceremonies, attending the laying of the cornerstone have been completed. In the evening an informal reception at the Dole House will be tendered the officers of the grand lodge grand encampment, department Patriarchs Militant and Rebekah Assembly. For further information see T. Penlwal, W. L. Smith, H. B. Dyer, or write A. G. Palmer, G. P. A. Evansville, Ind.

In Japan.
It is no great matter to be rich in Japan, where life is so simple and easy and elegant. Few people bother to save there. When a man reaches 55 years he throws business over to his sons and becomes "go jinyo," the "honorable retired one," for in Japan reverence and love for the aged are deeply rooted, and there is no Christian land which might not take lessons of filial affection from Japanese homes.--Chicago Inter Ocean.

Old Rhymes.
The old, merry rhyme: "Girls and boys come out to play," is said to date back to the time of Charles II., in whose reign "Lucy Locket lost her pocket." "Sing a song a sixpence" is traced back to the sixteenth century. "Pussy cat, pussy cat, where have you been?" is of the Elizabethan period. "Little Jack Horner" is probably as old, and "London bridge is broken down" is of unknown antiquity.--Chicago Inter Ocean.

He Wanted an Argument.
"That man Gozzler is the biggest fool I ever saw."
"What has brought you to such a conclusion?"
"I talked to him for an hour and a half this morning, and the only thing he had to say in answer to my statements was 'Yes, that's so!'"--Chicago Evening News.

Bookmen's Arrivals.
The Best Sale in the world for Outlets, Bruses, Sore, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Bore, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

PROHIBITIONISTS
Held Their County Convention To-Day.

COMMITTEE REORGANIZED

And Delegates were Selected to Attend the State Convention--
Speech This Afternoon by
Rev. O. W. Stewart.

The Prohibitionists of Macon county held a convention this afternoon at the W. C. T. U. rooms in the Roberts and Green building. They elected delegates to attend the state convention which will be held at Peoria June 1 and 2. Other matters of business were brought up and the county central committee was reorganized. At 3 o'clock an address was delivered by Rev. Oliver W. Stewart, the state chairman, of Chicago.

THE COMMITTEE.
The following are the members of the county central committee from each township under the re-organization:

Austin--Morris Robert, W. Rogers and George Miller.
Pleasant View--R. D. Ward, Dr. Foster.

Decatur--B. F. Cloud, J. A. Beatty, D. L. Bunn, W. H. Hubbard and George Hunter.
Harristown--T. F. Talbot, J. G. Howsman.

Illini--D. L. Schroll, J. A. Connolly and W. S. Bullard.
Long Creek--Henry Clark.

Hickory Point--John E. Braden, James Keller.
Friends Creek--Rev. D. Giffen, Edward Six, J. S. Cooper.

Nantico--Ellas Ford, H. Deel, C. A. Hall.
South Macon--E. M. Morris, George Damery.

South Wheatland--C. T. Wells, C. M. Mallory, W. W. Knappe.
Mt. Zion--W. H. Wallace, Frank Gregory, P. C. Farrell.

Milam--Aca Morris, Charles Cloud, S. J. White.
Maros--E. G. Covault, G. H. Lehnard Oakley--Frank Grl.

B. F. Cloud was elected president of the central committee, D. L. Bunn secretary and W. T. Beadles treasurer.

The Delegates.
The delegates selected to attend the state convention were the following: B. F. Cloud, W. T. Beadles, Dr. A. D. Bridgman, A. J. Miller, Dr. M. V. Longman, of Decatur, H. Beall, Charles A. Hall, Elias Ford of Nantico, J. G. Howsman, T. F. Talbot, Hiram Howsman of Harristown, George Damery, Daniel Patterson, Jack Cook, E. M. Morris, William Hight of Macon, C. T. Wells, Martin Connard, Rev. W. W. Knappe of Elwin, Frederick Ninkter of Bondy, R. D. Ward of Blue Mound, D. L. Schroll, John A. Connolly, W. S. Bullard, of Warrensburg, John E. Brayden of Beardale, E. G. Covault, A. H. Andrews of Maros, Rev. D. O. Giffen of Argenta, Samuel Stewart, W. Kuns of Orleans, Henry Clark of Garner, Charles Cloud, Aca Morris of Macon, W. H. Wallace, Frank Gregory, P. C. Farrell, John Ferrell of Mt. Zion, Frank B. Grl of Oakley.

Coal Miners and Operators.
SPRINGFIELD, ILL., May 19.--Coal miners and operators of Illinois are here to attend a joint conference tomorrow. The operators met at the Leland this morning and voted down a resolution to readjust the entire Illinois scale. Other propositions tending to the same end were voted down. The miners met at the state house and portected an organization. One hundred delegates are present. The conference is to settle the differences for machine mining and to hear the complaints of a number of operators who complain that the Chicago scale in effect in Illinois is too high. The miners contend that the differential of seven cents is a fair competitive price between machine and pick mining. The operators want to pay three-fourths of the pick rate for machine mining.

Six Men Drowned.
PITTSBURG, PA., May 19.--Ten men attempted to cross the Allegheny on a raft near Springdale, Pa., this afternoon. When in the center of the stream the raft swamped and the men were precipitated into the water. Four reached the shore the others were drowned. Their names are William Anderson, John Quinn, John Herab, Frank Steh, Newton Neal and Edwin Oman.

Japan was originally civilized by way of China; today Japan sends scholars and men of science to instruct the Chinese.

War on Land as Well
as on Sea. We are Storming the
Fort with our

BARGAIN BOMBS!

You are secure behind our fortifications. These prices will make you safe:



100 Piece Decorated Dinner Sets, worth \$11.00, for \$7.95
100 Piece English Porcelain Dinner Sets, worth \$11.00, for \$7.95
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Lamp Sale Extraordinary.

Glass Stem Lamps, Complete, 10c
Decorated Porcelain Lamps, engraved globe, 49c
Decorated Vase Lamps, fount and shade to match, for 65c
Decorated Vase Lamps, worth \$1.50, for 98c
Beautiful Tinted and Decorated Vase Lamps, fount and globe to match, brass foot, worth \$3.00. Now is your chance, \$1.25
\$2.50 Vase Lamps, with globe and shade, \$1.49
Very handsome large Vase Lamps with globe, \$2.50 & \$2.98
Massive Vase Lamps, worth \$4.75
Magnificent Hanging Lamps \$9.75
A few left of those Hanging Lamps, at 98c



This is the final windup sale of the BARTELOMEW STOCK.

Prices quoted here will not be duplicated. Don't miss it. If you delay now, you will pay more later. Now is the time to buy. Our prices make it easy.

124-126-128 Evan S. Young Prairie Ave.

DRESSY CLOTHING.

WE can show you spring suits at prices that will surprise you. They are stylish, made in best manner, of materials that a few years ago were never seen in ready-made clothing. We could say much more about them, but would rather have you come in and let the suits talk for themselves.



MEN'S SUITS
suitable for dress or business wear, all wool. Blue Serge, neat effects, in all wool Cassimeres, Housecoat and Cheviot Sack Suits. The kind you would expect to pay more for. Take your pick at \$7.50
MEN'S SUITS
FOR WISE MEN who don't go to a cheap merchant tailor because they can be fitted with ready-to-wear clothes. Fine blue or black all wool Serge, Fancy Cassimere and Worsted Dress Suits--\$12.00

DRESS SUITS.
Gentlemen, we'll give you everything the high-priced tailor gives you for about half his price. If you're hard to fit we alter the garments, same as he does. Come and see the Suits we are selling at \$15 and \$18.00.

BOYS

take as much pride in stylish, neatly fitting, well made clothes as men. We can please the boys and their mothers too, because our suits are elegant in fit and make and sell at little prices.

Child's Juniors, age 3 to 7 \$1.50
handsomely made, large Sailor Collars, braided.
Child's Vests, age 3 to 7 \$2.50
Fancy checks, velours, cassimeres and worsteds.
Child's Knee Pant Suits, 8 to 15, \$3.00
All Wool, many with double seats and knees, in fancy checks velours, etc.



B. STINE CLOTHING CO.,
For 32 Years Decatur's Reliable Clothiers.
245-249 N. Water St., Next to Bradley Bros.

GLADSTONE

The "Grand Old Man"
Gone to His Lord

HAWARDEN, ENGLAND, May 19.--Obsequies for the late Mr. Gladstone were held this morning.

Mr. Gladstone was in a comatose condition all day Wednesday. The scene at about 4 o'clock yesterday morning, when it was supposed Mr. Gladstone's last hour had come, was most painful. He again showed his almost superhuman vitality, fought death away, and relapsed into sleep.

During the crisis his breathing was so to the minute, and the members of his family were summoned. Rev. Stephen Gladstone read prayers and hymns, including Mr. Gladstone's favorite, "Rock of Ages." When this was concluded Mr. Gladstone was heard to murmur, "Our Father."

There has been the deepest manifestations of grief throughout the country. Flags are everywhere at half mast. Bells are tolling, shades drawn down and in the public galleries the pictures are draped with crepe. The queen and Prince of Wales early sent touching expressions of condolence. Further details from Hawarden Castle of the passing away of the great English statesman show that his end was the most peaceful imaginable. There were no signs of pain or distress. Mrs. Gladstone clasped her husband's hand occasionally and kissed it. Rev. Stephen Gladstone read prayers and repeated hymns. Then came the gentle, almost imperceptible cessation of life in the midst of prayer and the weeping family slowly filed from the room, taking Mrs. Gladstone who was induced to lie down and who was soon sleeping quietly. Very many telegrams of sympathy are arriving at Hawarden Castle.

Sketch of His Life.
The Right Honorable William Ewart Gladstone, fourth son of Sir John Gladstone, Bart, of Paques, in Kinross-shire, was born December 29, 1809, at Liverpool, where his father had gained wealth through West Indian trade.

Gladstone was educated at Eton, and at Christ Church College, Oxford, where he graduated with a "double first" degree in 1831.

He planned to enter the Church of England, but his father advised him not to, and in 1839 he began his political career by entering the house of commons as the member from the borough of Newark.

He held the post of lord of the treasury and under secretary for the colonies under the Peel government for a few months in 1835.

In 1838 he issued his first book: "The State in Its Relation With the Church." In 1841 he became vice president of the board of trade, under Peel and in 1843 president.

In that capacity he worked with Peel in bringing about the famous, repeal of the corn laws. In 1845 he was the successor of the Earl of Derby as colonial secretary. He did much to bring about free trade. In so laboring he won the enmity of the Duke of Newcastle, who refused to sanction his return from the borough of Newark to the house.

But in 1847 he re-entered political life as the member of parliament from Oxford, which seat he held for 18 years. In 1859 he became chancellor of the exchequer, under the Earl of Aberdeen.

That was his political turning point. Before that he had been a Tory, afterward he was a Liberal.

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100 Piece Decorated
Dinner Sets, \$5.50
This is the lowest price ever
recorded on a 100 piece set of re-
liable quality. Come quick if
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100 Piece English Porcelain De-
corated Dinner sets, worth today
\$11.00,
for \$7.95

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Dinner Sets, \$8.00,
\$3.85, \$10.00 and \$11.50

102 Piece Carlsbad Dinner Sets,
worth \$28.50, 60
in this sale for \$16.75

100 Piece China Dinner Sets, worth \$46.00, Sale
\$28.50

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Porcelain Lamps, ea-
ch, for 49C
Lamps, fount and
base, for 65C
Lamps, worth
98C
Lamps, with globe
and globe to match, brass
base, \$3.00. Now is
\$1.25
Lamps, with globe
and globe to match, brass
base, \$2.50 & \$2.98
Lamps, worth \$4.75
Lamps, worth \$9.75
Lamps, worth 98C

The final windup sale
of ARTHOLOMEW STOCK.
quoted here will not be duplicated. Don't miss it
now, you will pay more later. Now is the
time. Our prices make it easy.

128 E. Van S. Young Prairie Ave.

SSY CLOTHING.

show you spring suits at prices that
surprise you. They are stylish, made in
manner, of materials that a few years
ever seen in ready-made clothing. We
much more about them, but would rather
in and let the suits talk for themselves.

MEN'S SUITS

suitable for dress or business wear, all wool. Blue
Serge, neat effects, in all wool Cassimere, Houspau
and Cheviot Suits. The kind you would expect
to pay more for. Take your pick at

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FOR WISE MEN who don't go to a cheap mer-
chant tailor because they can't be fitted with our
ready-to-wear clothes. Fine blue or black all wool
Serge, Fancy Cassimere and Worsted Dress Suits—

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give you everything the high-priced tailor gives you for
If you're hard to fit we alter the garments, same as he does
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much pride in stylish, neatly fitting, well made
suits for men. We can please the boys and their
mothers, because our suits are elegant in fit and
sell at little prices.

3 to 7
50
Large Sailor Collars,
3 to 7
50
Suits, 8 to 15,
00
double seats and
velours, etc.

NE CLOTHING CO.,
Years Decatur's Reliable Clothiers.
ater St., Next to Bradley Bros.

GLADSTONE IS DEAD.

The "Grand Old Man" of England Gone to His Long Home.

HAWARDEN, ENGLAND, May 19.—
Gladstone is dead. The end came at 5
o'clock this morning.

Mr. Gladstone was in a comatose condi-
tion all day Wednesday. The scene at
about 4 o'clock yesterday morning, when
it was supposed Mr. Gladstone's last hour
had come, was most painful. He again
showed his almost superhuman vitality,
fought death away, and relapsed into
sleep.

During the crisis his breathing was 36
to the minute, and the members of his
family were unnumbered. Rev. Stephen
Gladstone read prayers and hymns, in-
cluding Mr. Gladstone's favorite, "Rock
of Ages." When this was concluded Mr.
Gladstone was heard to murmur, "Our
Father."

There has been the deepest manifesta-
tion of grief throughout the country.
Flags at half mast. Bells
are tolling, shades drawn down and in
the public galleries the pictures are draped
with crepe. The queen and Prince of
Wales early sent touching expressions of
condolence. Further details from Har-
warden Castle of the passing away of the
great English statesman show that
his end was the most peaceful imagin-
able. There were no signs of pain or
distress. Mrs. Gladstone clasped her
husband's hand occasionally and kissed
it. Rev. Stephen Gladstone read prayers
and repeated hymns. Then came the
gentle, almost imperceptible cessation of
life in the midst of prayer and the weep-
ing family slowly fled from the room,
taking Mrs. Gladstone who was induced
to lie down and who was soon sleeping
quietly. Very many telegrams of sym-
pathy are arriving at Hawarden Castle.

Sketch of His Life.

The Right Honorable William Ewart
Gladstone fourth son of Sir John Glad-
stone, Bart, of Fasque, in Kincardine-
shire, was born December 29, 1809, at
Liverpool, where his father had gained
wealth through West Indian trade.

Gladstone was educated at Eaton, and
at Christ's Church College, Oxford,
where he graduated with a "double first"
degree in 1831.

He planned to enter the Church of
England but his father advised him not
to, and in 1832 he began his political
career by entering the house of commons
as the member from the borough of
Newark.

He held the post of lord of the treasury
and under secretary for the colonies under
the Peel government for a few months in
1835.

In 1838 he issued his first book: "The
State in Its Relation With the Church."
In 1841 he became vice president of the
board of trade, under Peel, and in 1843
president.

In that capacity he worked with Peel in
bringing about the famous repeal of the
corn laws. In 1845 he was the succes-
sor of the Earl of Derby as colonial secre-
tary. He did much to bring about free
trade. In so laboring he won the enmity
of the Duke of Newcastle, who refused to
accept his return from the borough of
Newark to the house.

But in 1847 he re-entered political life
as the member of parliament from Ox-
ford, which seat he held for 14 years. In
1852 he became chancellor of the excheq-
uer under the Earl of Aberdeen.

That was his political turning point.
Before that he had been a Tory, afterward
he was a Liberal.

In 1857 he brought about the downfall
of Lord Palmerston and the dissolution of
parliament by a damaging speech on Cob-
den's motion of censure of Sir John
Bowring's proceedings in China. The
next year he journeyed to the Ionian
Isles, and soon brought out his book,
"Homer and the Homeric Age."

In the second Palmerston administration
he resumed the chancellorship of the ex-

chequer. In 1861 he succeeded in repeal-
ing the paper duty. In 1866 he was the
recognized leader of the house.

His Notable Acts.

Gladstone, from 1869 to 1874, was
largely instrumental in disestablishing
the Irish church; in carrying the Irish
land bill; in abolishing the purchase of
places in the army; the carrying of the
ballot bill and the negotiation of the Ala-
bama claims.

In 1875 he retired from the formal lead-
ership of the house. He urged the coor-
dination of the Turkish by the combined force
of the European powers after the Bulgarian
crucities of 1876.

Prime Minister.

In 1880 he was made prime minister of
England. His leadership was marked by
great activity in Africa, the east Egypt,
as well as in Ireland. There he labored
to check the agrarian disputes. The
coercion bill of 1881 ultimately acted as a
conciliatory measure.

Power of Oratory.

Even enemies admit Gladstone had a
marvelous gift of oratory. He could im-
pale a whole policy with an epithet. He
could dazzle the house of commons with a
paradox. He could throw ridicule on a
political party by two or three happy and
reckless adjectives. Gladstone was espe-
cially brilliant in statement. He could
give an exposition of figures the fascina-
tion of a romance or a poem. Gladstone
never could be, under any possible condi-
tions, a dull speaker.

Rivals.

The long continued and intense rivalry
between Gladstone and Disraeli was well
known. In every important debate the
man answered the other. Disraeli fol-
lowed Gladstone or Gladstone followed
Disraeli. It was not unlike the rivalry
between Fox and Pitt, for it was a rivalry
of temperament and character as well as
of public position and political principle.
Gladstone and Disraeli seemed formed by
nature to be antagonists. In character,
in temper, in tastes and in style of speak-
ing the men were utterly unlike each other.

McCarthy on Gladstone.

The great writer and historian Mc-
Carthy says: "I do not know whether
English parliamentary history records
greater doings of any man. In different
paths of political work other men have
been as great as he. So far as one can
judge by the writings of contemporaries,
there may have been orators and debaters
in parliament equal to him. Probably
Fox was his equal in parliamentary de-
bate. The younger Pitt was probably his
equal in the stately forms of declama-
tion. But not Fox nor Chatham nor
William Pitt had anything like Mr. Glad-
stone's capacity for constructive legisla-
tion, and the resources of information
possessed by Fox or Chatham or Pitt
were poor indeed when compared with
that storehouse of knowledge which sup-
plied Mr. Gladstone's intellectual capa-
city."

Married Life.

He went a-wooing, and in 1839 Glad-
stone married the daughter of Sir Steven
Glynne of Hawarden Castle. On the
death of the baronet the castle passed to
his daughter and thus eventually became
one of the imperishable names in English
local nomenclature. "No marriage
could have been happier," says the his-
torian, McCarthy. "The pair were young
together, became mature together and
grew old together. I do not meanly mean
to say that they passed their lives in the
same dwelling, but what I do mean to
say is that they were always thoroughly
together in purpose and in spirit, in heart
and in soul. There never could have
been a wife more absolutely devoted to
her husband and his cause than Mrs.
Gladstone."

OUR NEIGHBORS

SANGAMON.

Several from this vicinity were called
upon to appear before the grand jury last
week.

Z. T. Blaine attended the State Sunday
School convention at Olesburg last week.

Mrs. Weaver of Decatur is visiting with
Mrs. I. D. Jennings.

Farmers are progressing slowly with
their corn planting. The heavy rains re-
tard the work very much.

Willie, the four year old son of Mr. and
Mrs. A. Sullivan, is ill.

Rev. Ritchie held service at Sangamon
Sunday.

Mrs. Maud Walker is on the sick list.
Fishing is an every day pastime now,
not only for the small boy with his pool
of thread for line and banded pin for hook,
but for the boys with gray jacks as well.
No man-moth catches have been reported
as yet.

BEARDSDALE.

Mrs. John Lehman returned from Far-
mer City Tuesday after spending a few
days with her father, Joseph Major, who
is ill with rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. James Baker, of Elwin,
visited relatives here last Monday.

Mrs. Maud Hill entertained a few
friends at her home northwest of here
last Saturday evening.

F. S. Hunstey closed his school last Fri-
day with dinner and an interesting
program afterward. All present spent a very
pleasant day.

Mrs. Flora Lehaw spent several days
with Mrs. J. P. Campbell last week.

Mrs. Eliza Shrum and son Charles are
here from Nebraska and will make their
home with Grandma Pharis.

Jerry Miller of Wyckles called on friends
here this week.

Farmers are holding on to their corn for
better prices; none moving.

Mrs. Lizzie Sharrock of Decatur visited
with B. Baum and wife this week.

William Carr is staying with J. B. Ma-
ora.

CASNER.

T. O. Buxton started Monday for a three
week visit with relatives, near Benton-
ville, Ark.

Ed Gayman will attend school this sum-
mer at Bushnell.

Holton Hall has hired to teach the
Prairie Hall school the coming year.
Richard Collins met with quite a pain-
ful accident Friday last, having his hand
badly mashed while putting the hand car
in the building.

J. S. Underwood and family of Decatur
spent a part of last week with the fami-
lies of John Prather and John Underwood,
visiting.

Ed Chapman took advantage of the ex-
cursion Sunday and went to Springfield.

MT. ZION.

Miss Stooks of Decatur visited here Fri-
day of last week.

Mrs. Grubbs of Decatur is the guest of
her daughter, Mrs. J. Berry.

Mrs. D. W. Cheek returned home from
Indiana Friday, where she has been visit-
ing relatives.

Oscar Bilby is working at the Illinois
Central Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. Bateman visited with their
daughter, Mrs. Britton, at Casner last
week.

Miss Zelma Travis of Decatur spent
Sunday with home folks.

Miss Jessie Bilby was shopping in De-
catur Monday.

Alfred Walker of Decatur was here
Monday.

FORSYTH.

Bert Mowery, first hospital steward of
First Cavalry, is visiting his parents near
this village.

Mrs. Spillhouse of Lane is visiting her
sister, Mrs. D. L. Parkhurst.

Horn, to Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Parkhurst,
Saturday, May 14, a boy.

Mark Pugh has moved to the farm of
John Fonk north of Emery.

Mrs. Charles Drury has returned home.
Blanche Cooper returned home from
Clinton, where she has been visiting her
sister.

DALTON CITY.

Pat Hogan of Decatur was on our
streets last week.

Mr. W. M. Beard and daughter, Grace,
were shopping in Decatur last week.

Jack Henneberry of Chicago, the horse
buyer, was here last week.

Billie Landon of Bethany was here
last week.

Joseph Bankson of Bethany transacted
business here Monday.

W. C. Greenfield visited Decatur Mon-
day.

Miss Phrona Darsone was shopping in
Decatur last week.

Miss Kate Duggan, who is teaching
school east of Sullivan, visited home folks
over Sunday.

Charles Tild of Blue Mound visited his
best girl over Sunday.

Joseph Hagerty made his annual trip to
Decatur Monday.

George M. Anor, the cigarmaker of De-
catur, was here Tuesday.

Mike Duggan of Decatur called on his
friends here Tuesday.

Williamson Bros. returned from a visit
in Kentucky Monday.

Mrs. Tillie McIntire visited friends in
Decatur last week.

W. M. Clark is working in the butcher
shop for Bill McClure.

Henry Snyder and wife visited Decatur
Monday.

Ben Lester and H. L. Ground visited
Decatur last week.

Just Sunday Joseph Jones was kicked by
his horse four or five times. Dr. Wilson
put three stitches in the out over his eye.

Billie McClure has a sick child at his
home.

Scott Rogers and Perce Brown of Sulli-
van visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Goodman of Cov-
ington visited Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dwyer
Sunday.

Miss Sarah McCoy visited home folks
over Sunday.

Billie Wilson of Macon was here last
week.

Mr. Nate Phillips died at his home here
Sunday evening at 9 o'clock. He leaves
a wife and two children. The remains
were taken to Mt. Zion for burial.

NIANTICO.

A mail stand to catch the mail from
fast trains under the new time card has
been erected near the depot.

Mrs. Hall, whose daughter, Miss Lucy,
is very ill, is herself sick in bed.

A surprise dinner was given at the
Christian church last Wednesday in honor
of Mrs. Lizzie Chamberlain, who has been
for so many years the faithful president
of the sewing society, and who leaves soon
for Farmer City to make her home with
her son, J. H. Chamberlain. The dinner
was excellent and ice cream was also
served. Among those from a distance
were Mrs. Holland, Clayton and Mrs. Rosa
Ford of Illinois and Mrs. J. Willard of
Harrisstown. A collection among the sis-
ters resulted in money with which to pur-
chase a rocking chair as a parting gift to
Mrs. Chamberlain.

Funeral services in honor of Mrs. Wilks
occurred at the residence Tuesday, May
10. A special choir sang "Over There."
"Going Home Tomorrow" and "Is It
Well With My Soul."

Elder Enosoff offered prayer and read
the last chapter of Revelation. In accord-
ance with the wishes of Mrs. Wilks there
was no sermon and no flowers. The pall-
bearers were Elias Ford, George Lindsey,
C. A. Hall, B. W. Durdinger, William
Spencer, Michael Knapp.

Mrs. Anna Hizer was taken to church
Sunday and carried into the house in a
chair. She has been unable to attend
church for several years, but Mrs. C. A.
Hall had her taken to the dinner on Wed-
nesday and it seemed to benefit her so
much that she ventured to try going to
Sunday's services. Her many friends
rejoiced to see her there.

Adam Hawk has been suffering from a
sore foot. Last fall he stuck a rusty nail
in it and it healed over, but this spring
he has become very sore and he has been
unable to walk a part of the time.

Memorial services in honor of the ninth
anniversary of the Epworth League were
held at the M. E. church Sunday even-
ing. The sermon was dispensed with
and Rev. Pierce assisted in the exercises.

HARRISTOWN.

Miss Etta Cooper is still bedfast, but
much better.

The road commissioners are having the
roads graded from Harrisstown south to
where the Springfield road turns east to-
wards Decatur. Henry Wyncoop is pull-
ing it with his engine.

W. R. Dunkle had an accident last week
his horses broke the tongue out of his
new wagon.

A party and dance was given out at the
home of Ernest Corgel Saturday night.

Friday was the last day of school at the
Hill school and an entertainment was
given in the afternoon and at night.

Oliver Cooper and Annie Lane took
hops to Decatur Tuesday.

James Leonard took his engine to De-
catur to have it fixed up so as it will not
bother him during threshing season.

A party was given at the home of Echel
Glasgow Tuesday night.

MAROA.

Miss Dora Champney returned at Cin-
tinn Saturday after a few days' visit in
Maroa.

R. E. Persinger visited Chicago friends
from Friday until Tuesday.

The Woman's Missionary society of the
Presbyterian church met with Mrs. Eva
Schenck on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Grace Fry returned from Peoria
on Thursday and is the guest of Mrs. Will
Stonebraker.

Mrs. William Stoutenborough returned
from Springfield Thursday accompanied
by her daughter, Mrs. Hattie Ritter.

Miss Edna Horvath has resumed work
at Schenck's cigar factory. Dave Frank
is also employed there.

Raymond Hoff of Decatur was the
guest of Roy Meyer Sunday.

Dr. D. S. Anderson and wife returned
from a visit with relatives at Cincinnati,
Ohio, on Monday.

Elder Lloyd Newcomer is holding a
meeting for the state board of the Chris-
tian church at Alexia. J. Fred Jones,
state secretary, occupied the Christian
pulpit Sunday.

S. M. Adams of Moweaqua was the
guest of Frank Stroud and family over
Sunday.

"A Dream of Fairyland" at the opera
house on Friday evening.

Tom Gilliland of Moweaqua is the guest
of his sister, Miss Mary Gilliland.

Dave Frank has returned from a visit
with his brother at Greenville.

Will Curtis and family have occupied
the Tracy property in the south part of
town.

The Old Camp.

The old camp is deserted, our brave boys
are gone,
Every post, every pillar, each fence and
stone
Have a story to keep, till they fall to
decay.

How the gallant old 6th dragged the slow
days away.

Even the sunbeams that creep through the
oaks in the wall,
And the shadows that creep over manger
and stall,
Seem to echo their songs and to breathe
o'er the prayer,
And to tell of the dreams that our brave
boys dreamt there.

Even the grass, on the slope where the
white tents once gleamed,
And the star spangled flag in its proud
glory streamed,
Seems to speak of the loved ones now far,
far away.

Where they're gathered to move in dark
battle array.

On the great silent guns that will boom
in the fray,
Left a chill in their tracks when rum-
bled away;
For the boom bears a warning of death
in its train,
That to conquer the foe, then, the foe
must be slain.

To the call for our heroes, our proud
nation's sons,
Sprang with cannon, with saber, with
bayonet and gun,
To the front, to the front sprang the 6th
Illinois,
Our own gallant soldiers, our true brave
boys!

That our heroes are now far beyond our
recall,
May the Great King of battle watch over
them all,
May the loud cry of Peace wildly roll
o'er the wave,
And our loved ones be saved from the
soldiers' grave.

To the call of the bugle, the roll of the
drum,
May each soldier, a hero, a proud na-
tion's son,
Soon return from the front, with the 6th
Illinois,
All covered with glory! Three cheers for
the boys!

Public Stock Sale.

The undersigned will offer at public
sale at our farm, 3 miles northwest of
Decatur, on

MONDAY, MAY 23,

Ten head of choice Jersey cows and 3
Jersey bulls, including Pans Chief 48,452,
dropped Nov. 27, 1896. This is a fine
individual, 10 head of good horses of
all ages and weight, some for survey and
some for farming use, and some are
handsome light drivers, one pretty little
black mare 4 years old, suitable for boy
to ride. Also one fine black saddle mare
7 years old; also a good driver. You can
get just what you want in the horse line.
We also sell 8 head of fine young brood
sows. For the accommodation of farm-
ers the sale will begin at 1:30 sharp.
Notes with approved security to be given
before stock is removed. Notes due
January 1st, 1899. Interest from date
if not paid when due.

S. M. LUTZ,
P. A. LUTZ.

Col. W. H. Knight, auctioneer.
May 16-d&w-1w

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CHICAGO, ILL., May 19.

Wheat—
May—140 142 136 1.45 140
July—108 107 105 1.07 105 1/2
Sept—88 88 86 88 88 1/2

Oats—
May—35 35 35 35 3

War News...

Though interesting is not nearly as profitable as the News printed herewith. Read it and the reading will result to your advantage.

Military Belts and Shirt Waist Sets are very popular and will be worn by all very soon.



The above cut is an exact reproduction of regulation buckles die work correct and artistically executed.

Finished in Gilt, Silver and Oxidized.

I mount these buckles to suit the customer, in Silk, Velvet, Ribbon or Leather; colors to match any waist.

See the new line of United States and Cuban Flags, in Stick Pins, Hat Pins, Buttons, Watch Guards, and in fact everything pertaining to the war and the army.

I am showing the nicest line of New Goods to be found in the city, and at prices that are very reasonable.

FRANK CURTIS,

Successor to—

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Jewelers and Dealers in Fine China.

Our House Has Been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET, - - DECATUR, ILL.

Gladstone's Advice.

Gladstone said: "A young man who intends to conduct the same business in the same place for twenty-five years, would better make up his mind that nothing less than perfect genuineness, in his character and in his goods, will serve. Shams and tricks, however slight, will prove serious obstacles to any lasting success."

We try in every way to follow this teaching. We never misrepresent anything, and while we often offer exceptional values the offer is always genuine and the goods are genuinely as represented. It is our study every day how to get you the most for your money in shoe leather. Note a few of our offerings today.

Ladies' Oxfords We Sell at \$2.00.

They are in Tans with Vesting top, Tans with patent tips without vesting tops, made on the new Lenox toe and coin toe, sizes 2½ to 7, widths C, D and E.

Same Styles in Black, Same Price.

Dongola with Vesting tops, Dongola with patent tips, without vesting tops, sizes 2½ to 7, widths, C, D and E.

F. H. COLE SHOE CO.,

148 EAST MAIN STREET.

Shirt Waists.

A new lot in to-day. You should see them—they are New Style Material with the BAYADERE Stripes.

SEE THE PRICES:

25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

**Not Looking Well?
Not Feeling Well?**
THEN TRY
**MORROW'S
KIDNEYS,**
THE TRUE
KIDNEY TONIC AND NERVE RESTORER
For Men, Women and Children.
50 Cents per Bottle.
ARMSTRONG BROS.,
Druggists.

WEATHER.

CHICAGO, May 19.—Illinois: The conditions are favorable for local showers tonight and Friday; winds fresh to southerly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce "WILLIAM L. HAMMER" as a candidate for County Judge, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

LOCAL NEWS.

Davis' 15c delivery. Cab, 25c.
Smoke the Queen, manufactured by Keddick & Kneelink.—15-dtf
Denz—the Leading Tailor.—ap6-dtf
Smoke the Little J, 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Kack.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-dtf

Do you want plastering done. If so telephone 638, new 'phone. Decatur Hard Plaster Co. Perry & Orin.—6-dtf

Smoke the Little Joker—5-cent cigar.

The work of paving on South Main street has been set back on account of the rains. The work cannot be taken up again until tomorrow or the next day.

At 223 North Main street the largest stock of fresh bulk Garden Seed; also the greatest assortment of Flower Seeds ever brought to Decatur. Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums in bulk. Duffee & Culp. feb 9-dtf

The Girls Mission band of College Street chapel will give an entertainment at the chapel on Saturday afternoon under the direction of the president, Mrs. M. D. Pollock. Several ladies of the city will be present and make brief talks.

Children like it, it saves their lives. We mean One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell.

The plate glass window front in the Curtis store room on North Water street occupied by Jacob Kack, the cigar manufacturer, is being moved out 15 inches to enlarge the interior of the room.

Several of the young men members of the Assembly and Fellowship dancing clubs will give an informal dance at Turner Park hall this evening.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps, chain pumps and pump repairing.—Mar. 1-dwtf.

When doctors fail try Burdock Blood Bitters. Cures dyspepsia, constipation; invigorates the whole system. Sold by all druggists.

At the last meeting of the Modern American Fraternal Order it was decided to meet but once a month during the summer. The meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month.

Open during the day and evening—Spencer and Lehman Carriage Repository, at the corner of Main and Wood streets. They have some open and canopy top traps that are beautiful and a full line of fine and medium grade surreys, buggies, road wagons, etc. These are honest goods at honest prices.—23-dwtf

Word was received this morning from Miss Anna McDonald, who was called to Virginia several days ago by the serious illness of her mother. Mrs. McDonald is much improved. Miss McDonald will return on Friday.

Charleston at Vallejo.

VALLEJO, CAL., May 19.—The cruiser Charleston, it appears, after leaving here yesterday, instead of going out to sea, cruised around in the bay while the compasses were being adjusted. Then it was discovered that her compasses were out of order and she returned here to have them repaired. Another start will be made within a day or two.

Presbyterian Assembly.

WINONA LAKE, IND., May 19.—The 110th general assembly of the Presbyterian church met this morning. After devotional exercises the retiring moderator, Dr. Sheldon Jackson, delivered a sermon, in which he made an earnest plea for home missions.

Gone to San Francisco.

Dr. J. S. Miller of York, Pa., who has been in the city visiting his cousin, D. A. Moffet and Mrs. M. A. Shupp, left today for San Francisco, where he will attend the convention of the national medical association. He was accompanied as far as Springfield by D. A. Moffet.

Rev. J. S. Keeney, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian churches at Argenta and North Fork, was in the city yesterday on business connected with the township Sunday school convention, which is to be held soon at the Blue Mount chapel near Boody. Delegates from the different Sunday schools in the township will be in attendance at the convention.

STILL ON TRIAL.

The Gogerty Damage Suit
Will Close To-Day.

THE WITNESSES INTRODUCED

This Forenoon and the Case Will
Likely Go to the Jury Before
Night—Entries on
the Docket.

The suit of Edward L. Gogerty against the Decatur Cereal Milling Company for damages for the loss of an arm while employed at the mill, is still on trial in the circuit court. The case however will probably be completed this afternoon and go to the jury before night. Today witnesses were being introduced.

The grand jury, the members of which adjourned last Saturday for a few days, convened again today to attend to whatever business may be in hand. The entries on the court docket today were as follows:

COMMON LAW CASES.

DeWitt C. Corley vs. Peter H. Brusch, appellant; appeal. Rule discharged.

CHANCERY CASES

August Buchwald vs. Sarah A. Cunningham et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved. Cause heard. Decree of foreclosure for \$1004.84 and costs, sale, etc.

Hiram Johns on et al vs. William Henry Timmer et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved. Cause heard and decree of foreclosure for \$922.40 and costs, sale, etc. Solicitor's fee \$25, taxed as costs.

Anna Walton vs. Robert L. Walton et al; partition. Master's report approved and decree of partition and dower and homestead. Commissioners, George V. Loring, William Voorhies and John Ullrich.

Myrtle Watkins, nee Nieman, vs. Henry McDermott et al; foreclosure. Master reports due complaint \$2686.10. Decree for same and costs, sale, etc.

Calista L. Parker, executrix, vs. Richard A. Miller et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved. Cause heard. Decree \$1088.40 and \$1 solicitor's fee taxed as costs and sale, costs, etc.

REV. VOSBURG WILL LECTURE

At the Baptist Church on Tuesday
Evening, May 24.

Rev. George B. Vosburg, Ph. D. D. will deliver a lecture entitled, "A Journey Through the Holy Land on Horseback," Tuesday evening, May 24, at the First Baptist church. The general admission is 25 cents adults; children under 16 years 15 cents. Reserved seats 25 cents extra for adults and for children under 15 accompanied by their parents 10 cents extra. Rev. Vosburg is well known here as a former pastor of the Baptist church and his lecture will be both instructive and entertaining to old and young alike. The lecture is given for the benefit of the church. Tickets are on sale at Saxton's book store. Flat of seats open three days in advance. Members of the Ladies' Aid society of the church will also have tickets for sale.—14-dtf

Had Their Pictures "Tooken."

The members of the Merry-Go-Round club set for their pictures at the Huff North Main street gallery and the pictures have been set in a group and artistically finished and will be kept by the members as souvenirs of the many happy occasions of the winter. The members of the club are Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shellbarger, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Baldwin, Mrs. and Mrs. Frank Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Aten Lytle, Mr. and Mrs. George Moeller, Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. George Stadler, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Nesbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bridges and Mrs. and Mrs. Ed Bishop.

Corn Down in Texas.

George E. Moeller has received a letter from Charles B. Murphy, manager of the Textile Department of the Decatur Cereal Company, who has been at Galveston, Texas, on a business trip. Enclosed in the letter to Mr. Moeller was a blade of Texas corn, with this note: "Waco, Texas, corn, four feet high; oats nearly all harvested, May 18."

Scraping the Street.

Street Superintendent A. W. Williams has a force of men at work scraping the pavement on West Decatur street. The mud is now soft and can be more easily cleaned up than when it is dry.

Got Her Insurance.

Mrs. Mary Lilly, widow of W. F. Lilly, yesterday received from the Home Forum Order \$2000 on the insurance policy carried by her late husband.

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from Kidney Diseases, why not try
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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Of Maroa High School Will be
Held May 26.

Invitations which are exceedingly neat and attractive in design have been received by a number in Decatur to the 19th annual commencement of the Maroa High school, will be held at the opera house on Thursday, May 26, at 8 o'clock p. m. The members of the graduating class of '98 are Florence Swan, Maude Moon, Fern E. Funk, Florence H. Bennett, Nellie Barr, Jessie Bennett, Clarence W. Leach, Bert M. Covault, Mattie Sterling and Ida L. Mayall. The class motto is "On the Threshold."

The teachers of the Maroa school are: D. Frank Fawcett, principal, assisted by William Fry, Mrs. Sue Danley, W. H. Stonebraker, Agnes L. Compton, May Swan, Mary Alsbury, Francis Hill and Kate L. Edmunds. The board of education is composed of B. F. Shipley, president, H. G. Kepler, clerk, E. P. Bowden, Frank Potter, E. J. Carter, John Longstreet and C. H. Huff.

INSTANTLY KILLED

A Farm Hand Was Struck
by Lightning

WHILE PLOWING IN A FIELD

His Name Was D. Featon and He
Worked on the Farm of Thomas
Delaney—Deputy Coroner
Bendure was Called.

D. Featon a farm hand employed on the place of Thomas Delaney, living two and one-half miles southwest of Warrensburg was killed by lightning while working in the field. No one saw the man meet his death, but he was found shortly afterward.

F Eaton went into the field to do some plowing and while at work between 8 and 9 o'clock the storm came up. The storm did not last long, and after it was over it was noticed by those on the place that the team and plow were standing without any driver. A search was at once made and Featon was found in the field. It was quite evident that he had been instantly killed and there appeared to be no doubt but that he was killed by lightning for one of the horses had been greatly stunned and had not recovered when the body of Featon was found. The remains were taken to the farm house but it was too late to render any assistance as the man was dead. Featon was a young man and was unmarried. He came from the neighborhood of Illinois.

A message was sent to Coroner Bendure and Deputy Coroner Roy Bendure drove to the place and held an inquest this afternoon.

Judge Hammer for County Judge.

In this issue appears the announcement of William L. Hammer, present incumbent as a candidate for re-nomination for the office of county judge, subject to the action of the Republican county convention. The primary meetings will be held throughout the county on August 20 and Mr. Hammer desires to be favorably remembered by the voters on that day Judge Hammer has held the position he now occupies for a term of four years and he has discharged his duties in a manner that has won for him the general commendation of the public from all parts of the county. He has proven his fitness for the important office of judge and by his clean and impartial administration of the duties coming under his jurisdiction has gained the full confidence of the people. He is thoroughly posted as to his duties and his judgment can always be relied upon in all matters coming before him. The nomination of Judge Hammer would be equivalent to election.

Associated Press Officers.

CHICAGO, May 19.—The directors of the Associated Press today elected the following officers: President, Victor E. Lawson, Record and Daily News, Chicago; first vice president, Horace White, New York Evening Post; second vice president, Thomas G. Rapier, New Orleans; assistant secretary and assistant general manager, Melville E. Stone, manager, Charles S. Dight, treasurer, John B. Walsh.

Death of a Famous Scout.

DENVER, COL., May 19.—News has been received of the death of "Jim" Baker, the famous scout and Indian fighter, at his home on Snake River, 80 miles south of Rawlins, Wyo. Death was due to old age, he being about 90. He had been in the Rocky Mountains since 1882. His adventures furnished many themes for the novelists.

Lecture To-Night.

Evangelist Knox P. Taylor will address the convention at the Edward Street Christian church tonight. His address will be illustrated by a large chart. Mr. Taylor has no superior in his line of work. All teachers and Bible students of all schools in the city are especially invited to be present.

TO THE SOLDIERS

Dorcas Society Sends a
Box of Delicacies.

MEMBERS OF COMPANY H

Are in Need of Food for Those Who
Are Sick—Telegram Received
From Surgeon Bevans—People
Respond Liberally

Today the members of the Dorcas society are at the Guards' armory packing delicacies to be sent to the members of Company H at Chikamauga park for those of the company who are ill and in need of different food from that received in the camp.

Before the guards left the city the Dorcas society obligated themselves to be instrumental in providing anything needed by the soldiers while they were at the front and yesterday Mrs. Harwood received a telegram from Dr. James I. Bevans, the assistant surgeon saying that the company was greatly in need of canned soups and other such delicacies. The fact was announced in the morning papers and today a committee of the society was at the armory to receive contributions from the people. Many responded liberally and this afternoon a box of eatables will be sent to the soldiers. The ladies will continue to receive contributions this afternoon and tomorrow so that anyone who wants to do so can leave at the armory anything they care to give that would be of use to the sick soldiers. All kinds of jellies and fresh bread were collected this morning. What is especially needed is canned soup, condensed milk and malted milk and meat and the ladies want to get a supply to send in the next box. The members of the society are soliciting from anyone but are not receiving free will offerings, believing that the merchants and citizens who are in a position to make some contribution however small it may be.

Tomorrow night the members of the society will give a patriotic entertainment for the purpose of raising money to keep the Armory in the absence of the guards. Roy W. F. Olin, pastor of the First Methodist church, will make an address and a double quartette will sing songs. R. W. Chilton will sing a song entitled, "What Did Henry Do to Them," and Ben Freeman will sing "The Soldier's Day in Blue." Mrs. McNally will give a recitation. An admission of 15 cents will be charged at the door and the ladies expect that there will be a large attendance.

Burned by Gasoline.

Mrs. W. W. Brown, residing on West Packard street was badly burned about her hands and arms this morning by gasoline. Mrs. Brown was cleaning a piece of cloth with the fluid near the gasoline stove which was lighted and the gasoline caught on fire, burning the cloth and the sleeves of her dress. The burns are severe but not dangerous. The case was attended by Dr. M. D. Pollard.

Composed a Song.

Charles Freeman has written a new song and music for a new song. The song is entitled "He Was a Boy in Blue." The words are appropriate to the condition of war and the time is a happy one. The song has been published and placed on sale.

Not Answered Yet.

Rev. Mr. Ruffin the minister who was the vestry of St. John's Episcopal church extended a call, has not yet received an answer of acceptance or refusal is expected by the vestry at any time but as nothing has been heard.

Excursion to Champaign.

The Illinois Central road on account of the inter-scholastic contest at Champaign will offer a rate of one fare for the round trip from May 17 to 30 inclusive tickets good returning until May 23.—14-d

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between the

A SUDDEN CHANGE
IN

Arrival of Cervera
Cuba was Anticipated
Schley to Command
Decisive Victory
signs

THE BATTLE

The expected naval engagement may be even now in progress, with the Spanish fleet on the coast at the eastern end of the Cape Haytien, over 100 miles from Santiago de Cuba, where the Spanish fleet is expected to come.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—

Santiago de Cuba an immediate landing squadron to that port was one of the most beautiful and two miles wide, but moments of battleships. About 10,000 Spanish soldiers had. It may be the purpose of these soldiers either to Puerto Rico or to the coast of Cienfuegos, whence at Santiago are said to be sent to land, as there are no railways in the country is in control of insurrection. The prospect of big Spanish Sampson and Schley squadrons and fish fleet and fortifications.

Bombard

MADRID, May 20.—A

from Havana says that some of the reported bombardment